

**Comments Received at the 1<sup>st</sup> Public Open House for the Syracuse Road EIS**  
December 11, 2003  
Syracuse City Hall

**Comment #1:**

I live on 1700 South, and the waiting game is already getting old. It would be very helpful if at least some preliminary plans could be drawn so I could begin to make plans. I have heard enough to guess that I will likely lose my home. I would like information as to what type of alternatives I have at that time. I am a widow and have been in my home 38 years. Obviously, my concerns are very personal, but a little information would be helpful.

**Comment #2:**

The road is long overdue. Syracuse has grown way beyond the existing roads to meet the needs of the people living there.

I own 1/4 mile of frontage along the proposed expansion. It would impact me more than most other affected property owners. It is logically and most economically feasible that the road be widened on the south side. To take more from the north side places all of the properties in nonconforming status & all the properties would need to be condensed changing the nature of the whole north side.

The south side has only 7 houses for the first 1/2 mile. The road is so congested that it is impossible to gain access to it during several hours in the afternoon.

**Comment #3**

I have a few questions I am hoping maybe we could just visit on the phone about? I am thinking a productive phone discussion would answer my questions about:

- 1) ROW
- 2) Timing of sales for seller that was planning to sell out completely sooner than UDOT ROW acquisition?
- 3) Relocation time limits?
- 4) Brokerage services?

Would you please call me at XXX-XXXX at your convenience? A five minute phone call should answer & take care of most of my questions.

**Comment #4**

This road should be widened to 2 lanes each direction with a center turn lane. A light or overpass for pedestrians should be installed at 1500 W. Children cross to go to school here (Allison Way).

There should be a bicycle path, parkstrips, and sidewalks.

Increase the road to 3 lanes in each direction if possible.

This road will always be heavily traveled not only because it is Syracuse's main E-W arterial road but additional traffic comes because of Antelope Island and when the commuter rail is up & running the quickest & easiest way to reach that road will be 1700 S. 6 lanes will be needed when Legacy is built & ties into 1700 S.

Take out the houses - don't leave them with no front yards on a busy street.

**Comment #5:**

The road needs to be widened to five lanes at least. Traffic is terrible on this road, so we cannot even use our drive to back out on to the road or you take your life into your hands. There have been several accidents in front of our houses, because when people slow down to turn north they get rear ended. To me it would make sense to widen the road and take the area to the south including all the homes on the south as there is more open space.

On the south side of the existing road there is irrigation pipe, headgates, and many utility lines (both power

poles above and lines in the ground). These all could be moved south and it would be less intrusive than taking the many homes on the north side. This widening to the south would blend into the width at Heritage Lane.

On the north side of the existing road, curb, gutter and sidewalk already exist most of the way from 1000 W. to 2000 W. They just need to have the road wide enough to allow parking on the north side and thus give residents on the north room to back out onto the road.

The option to do nothing is not realistic as Syracuse continues to grow houses rather than crops of any sort. This road is the main artery out and can't handle traffic now. Also in the summer the traffic increases with all the people going to Antelope Island. Right now it is a hazard to try and walk across the road.

In the future this would be one of the roads connecting to the Legacy Highway when this may happen. The option to increase mass transit (busses) is also not realistic, as now when the buses stop all traffic behind it has to stop. Another suggestion is at where Allison Way intersects with 1700 S. there needs to be a walkway overpass for the children on the south to cross over 1700 S. Most of the children south of 1700 S. go to Cook Elementary which is on the north side.